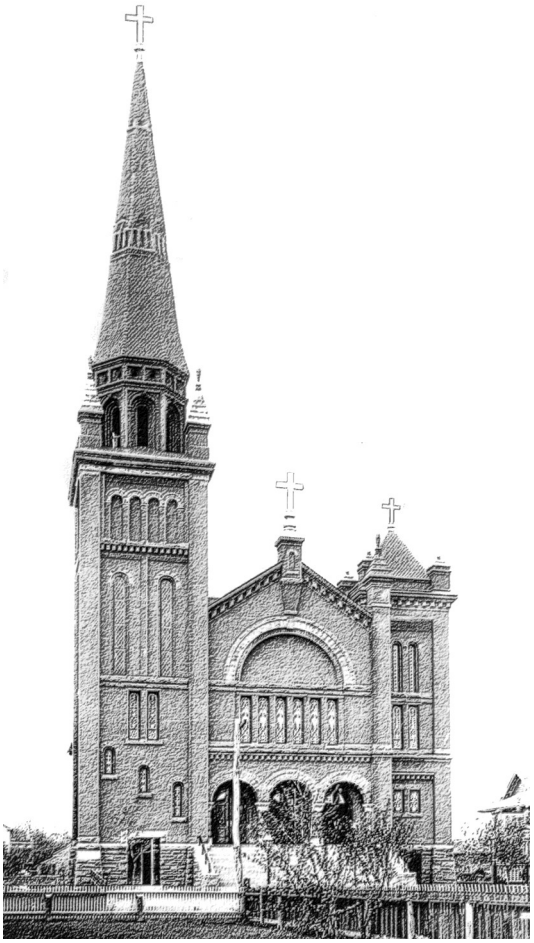

JANUARY 4, 2015
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

ST. LEO'S /HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Web Site:	**www.stleos-holyrosary.org**
Pastor:	**Reverend Vincent Dang**
Pastor Emeritus:	**Reverend Thomas J. O'Malley**
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Baptism	**Call the Rectory**
Weddings	**Call the Rectory**

READINGS: (Jan. 11) Is 42: 1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38 Mk 1:7-11
Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father. He is the light of the nations and Lord of all creation. To him be all glory and praise!

THANK YOU: A very special Thank you to our Altar Servers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Cantors, Choir Members, Greeters, Ushers, Members of the Councils, CCD Teachers, all our Societies, and all the Volunteers of our Parish who make our parish vibrant and alive throughout the year. May God reward you for your devotion to serve our parish.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p. m. (day) 8:00 a.m. , Noon & 7:00 p.m.

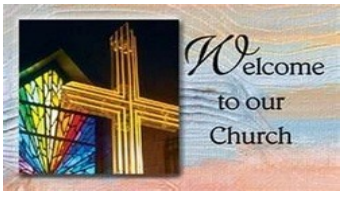
Parish Office Hours:
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS : There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

All weekdays except Wednesday at 7:45 a.m.
Saturday — 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

NEW PARISHIONERS: We, St. Leo's/ Holy Rosary Parish, welcome new parishioners to register with our parish by calling the Rectory at 570-825-6669 or stop by during office hours. We are handicap accessible in the rear side of the church. We also invite you to visit our web page at http://stleos-holyrosary.org. Thank you.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / CCD INFORMATION

Our CCD Motto is **"MASS AND CLASS OR CLASS AND MASS".**

Classes from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

FIRST PENANCE : Penance Workshop on Sat. Jan. 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.in the church hall. (for children only). There will be a parents meeting during CCD class on Sun. Jan. 18 in the church . There will be a practice for 1st Penance on Thursday, Jan. 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. (parent or parents to attend as well)

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Your children's safety is always the primary concern of ours. Please use your discretion if you choose to send your children to CCD in inclement weather.

CATHOLIC STUDENTS: Those students attending catholic school and belonging to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church should receive the sacraments in our parish. Please register through the office or the CCD Director Michelle Casey at (570)760-9793. Deadline is January 4, 2015. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE: First Penance will be celebrated on **Saturday, January 24, 2015** at 11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Tuesday, April 7, 2015** at 5:00 p.m. by Emeritus Bishop John M. Dougherty. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 2, 2015**, at 11:00 a.m. Please save these important dates in your calendars. Thank you.

SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN: As we begin CCD classes, please lookout for the safety of our children especially as they are dismissed from class at 10:30 a.m. when you may be arriving for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Thank you.

PERPETUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL: Every Monday after 8 a.m. Mass the Novena will be prayed. Please come to honor our Blessed Virgin Mary.

DEVOTIONS IN HONOR OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS: Every First Friday of the Month we will have devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus following 8 a.m. Mass.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Eucharistic ministers from St Leo's/Holy Rosary take Holy Communion to the sick and homebound. Calls are made on the First Friday and Third Sunday of every month. Please advise family members or friends who cannot attend Mass that they can have a Holy Communion Minister bring the Lord in the Eucharist. Please call the rectory, Toni Riscavage, 868-8215 or Paul Golias, 829-6251.

2ND COLLECTION: There will be a 2nd collection this weekend, Jan. 3/4, for Care & Education of Priests. Please be generous. Thank you and God Bless.

THE EPIPHANY BLESSING: The Epiphany house blessing will be available in front of the manger in St. Leo's/ Holy Rosary Church.

SUMMER FESTIVAL 2015: The Committee has been formed. Arlene Hooper-Walsh is the Chairperson and Rose Murray is the Co-Chairperson. The dates of our Summer Festival are June 25, 26 & 27. This is our most important parish activity. The next summer festival meeting is Sunday, Jan. 11 at 12 p.m. Thank you so much for your dedication and service to our parish. God Bless you.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: "Transform Lives Together" Please, give generously to God as he gives generously to us, supporting the Diocesan Annual Appeal with our prayers and our gifts. Our parish goal is $44,000.00. We have collected $21,905.00. You can send your donation directly to the Office of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Thank you for your generosity.

GREETERS: The greeters for the week-end of Jan. 3-4 are: Jan. 3 at 4:30 p.m. are Theresa and Don Kane ; Jan 4. at 8:30 a.m. are Angie and Jackson Chapasko and at 11:00 a.m. is Mary Lou Cook. The greeters for the weekend of Jan. 10 &11 are: Jan. 10 at 4:30 p.m. is Ann Drazba; Jan. 11 at 8:30 a.m. is Mary Lou Cook and at 11:00 a.m. is Catherine Smith.

SNOW SHOVELING: If anyone is interested in shoveling snow and snow throwing (must be over 18) from the church sidewalks and steps please contact the rectory (570) 825-6669 or see Father.

CHURCH ENVELOPES: 2015 Church envelopes are available in the church hall. Please pick them up as soon as possible. If you can't find your envelope, please contact the rectory and we will issue envelopes for you. Thank you for your cooperation and may God Bless you for your faithful service to our parish.

THANK YOU: Father Dang would like to thank all who made Christmas At St. Leo's Holy Rosary Church a glorious celebration. He also wishes to express his heartfelt thanks to all who sent cards and gifts for Christmas. May God bless you with gifts of good health, peace and happiness!

CHOIR PRACTICE: Choir practice will be held every Wednesday. The Youth Choir will meet at 6:00 p.m. The Adult Choir will meet at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to come and raise their voices in praise. Looking forward to seeing everyone there! For questions please call Bob Passetti, Music Director at 570-814-1747. Thank you.

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY: The Altar & Rosary/St. Ann's Society would like to thank all those who participated and donated to the Christmas Wafer/Oplatki Sale. We hope you enjoyed sharing your wafer and the good wishes that are exchanged during the traditional Christmas Eve Dinner. We appreciate your support and wish you a very Happy & Blessed New Year. The Society will meet on Sunday, Jan. 4 at 2 p.m. in the church hall to plan the up-coming "Piggie Dinner" to be held Sunday, Jan. 18 from noon to 4 p.m. in the church hall. All members are urged to attend. The cost is $9.00 for adults and $4.00 for children. Tickets will be sold in the vestibule before & after all weekend masses. Members are asked to meet on Friday, Jan. 16 after the 4:30 p.m. Mass to set up the tables and decorate. Ticket sellers are Jan. 3 at 4:30 p.m. mass: Maggie Falchek & Flossie Jablowski; Jan. 4 at 8:30 a.m.: Mary Lour Cook, at 11:00 a.m.: Donna Rinieli, Rose & Nina Deno.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: The Holy Name Society will meet on Sunday, Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. in the church hall. Immediately after the meeting they will hold their annual smoker. All members are encouraged to attend.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: The Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. in the church hall. All members are urged to attend. Thank you.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY: The St. Vincent DePaul Society will meet on Sunday, Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. in the CCD classrooms.

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will meet on Sunday, Jan. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church hall. All members are urged to attend.

FINANCE COUNCIL: The Finance Council will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. in the rectory. All members are encouraged to attend. Thank you.

YOUTH GROUP: The Youth Group will show a family movie on Sunday, Jan. 25 at 5 p.m. in the church hall. All families are encouraged to attend.

WINTER WEATHER: When attending mass during the winter season because of slippery conditions please enter through the church hall or use the church side door. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENT IN BULLETIN: Attention Societies and organizations, if you would like to place an announcement in the bulletin, the deadline is Tuesday. Also, please send Father your Association activities dates so that we can reserve your date in the church hall. Please call the Rectory at 570-825-6669 or drop off your announcement at the office. Thank you.

CHILI, CHOWDER, & SOUP CONTEST: The Hanover Area Student Council & JSC are sponsoring the contest to benefit the Ashley Food Bank. It will be held Sunday, Jan. 11 from noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Hanover Area Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria. Adults: $5.00; Children (6-12) $3.00 and under 5 is free. Deadline to enter a soup is Tuesday, Jan. 6. Applications available at http://www.hanoverarea.org ; at the main office, or by calling 831-2300, ext. 229.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: There will be a Christmas Concert at St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, on Sunday, Jan. 4 at 3 p.m. in the church. The event is free and all are welcome. For more information contact olfstmarys@aol.com or call 570-823-4168.

THANK YOU: Thank you to all those who donate food, money or time to the Food Pantry. May God bless you for your kindness, generosity and love.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Please pray for Jared & Debbie Bellas, John Lucas, Rita Bly, Lois O'Hara, Flavia Pollick, Florence Ryder, Ron Warke, Marie & Robert Cronauer, Joseph Nealon Sr., Julie Harlen, Lorraine Shinko, Theresa Kerick, Dane McSparron, Mary Golias, Eileen Aukstakalnis, Tom Smith, Joyce Kahlau, Marion Ferguson, Harry Bobos, Joyce Seiger, Jerry Cavanaugh, Barbara Smith, Geri Truschel, William Vancosky, Katherine Svetz, Joseph Murray, Bonnie Magda, Albert Finnarelli, Frank Kempf, Helen Ungvarsky, Louise & Ron Brandt, Robert Lusk, Paul Nice, Jean Wiernusz, Dee Ruda, John H. Hooper, III, Karen Hannis, Joan Grow Chowski, Leonard Kelly, James Curry and Richard Curry, Ann Fedak, Amanda Braley, Nancy Mc Govern, Gerald Mizenko, Robert Pepperling, Appi Pepperling, Florence Borkoski and the faithful departed especially Margaret Maraski and all our parishioners. We will be listing in the bulletin names of people who and are ill or need our prayers. If you have someone you would like us to pray for, please call Marianne at the rectory office 570-825-6669.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	01/05	8:00 AM	Steve DeVillo	Haslinsky Family
Tuesday	01/06	8:00 AM	Delores Cunningham	Laura, Chris & Meyer Thorp
Wednesday	01/07		No Mass	
Thursday	01/08	8:30 AM	Joseph C. Kordek	David Clocker
Friday	01/09	8:00 AM	Ray Denan	Family
Saturday	01/10	4:30 PM	Theresa McGowan	McGowan Family
Sunday	01/11	8:30 AM	For our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	Mary Hudak	Paul & Elaine Golias

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF EDWARD BIERNACKI BY JO HART & FAMILY.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; LINDA MARIE YEDLOCK BY FAMILY AND IN MEMORY OF ROSE & JACK WALSH BY JOHN WALSH.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF NANCY MEINEKER BY COLLEEN NEALON CALENTI AND IN MEMORY OF IRENE DRAZBA BY HUSBAND & DAUGHTER.

Please remember them in our prayers.
CANDLES: There are still Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Candles available for 2015. If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the rectory at 570-825-6669.

PARISH MINISTRIES : St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Parish needs lay ministers in several areas to serve the parish and its members such as **Youth Altar Servers, Adult Altar Servers, Lectors, & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**. Pope Francis has reminded us that the obligation to share the Gospel and care for and serve others comes with baptism and so one is excused from the task, so please respond to the call of Pope Francis to evangelize. The example of your service and loving outreach are signs that we embrace and care for our brothers and sisters. Training is offered for all ministries. Please, call the rectory at 825-6669, or speak to Father Dang. Also Toni Riscavage (868-8215) and Paul Golias (829-6251) for more information.
LOTTERY TICKETS: St. Vincent DePaul Society will be selling lottery calendars for the month of Feb. with 2 numbers on each ticket. They are $5.00 each. For more information please contact Christine Casey at (570) 825-5293.
25TH OR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: His Excellency, The Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, D. D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2015 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 21. The event includes a 2:30 p.m. mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through Father Dang before March 16.

FOOD BANK ITEMS IN SPECIAL NEED:
Coffee, Tea, Vegetable Soup, Tuna Helper, Cereal, Pancake Mix/Syrup and Crackers.

COMMITMENT OF TREASURE	
Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver— II Corinthians 9:7	
Weekly Collection for 12/28/14	**$5681.96**
Christmas Day Collection	**$11,508.71**